THE SCHOOL ISSUE.

Liberals are indeed guilfy of "brazen" hardihood who attempt to institute com- Columbia for the fullest development of parisons between the conduct of the their interests? It would be of just as schools it had abolished and the per cent. upon all the implements that represented in a degree the state of the position of the Liberal government of may be used and supplies that may be Russian fleet generally. On paper and system the people who alone are inter- that the V., V. & E., being a Canadian ested have themselves established. It is corporation, if any unfair discrimination than his contemporary Togo possessed. remarkable that the degenerate Lib- against Canadians securing employment The Russian had under his direction hood to undertake the defence of such a the work of operation after construction, frontery we assume the Saskatchewans provisions of the alien labor law. That precisely what they want. There is no Marquette Railway has found out to its the naval or military resources of the ada in which analogous conditions prewhy they should not have a school sys- of the grossest discrimination in disworld. Up to a certain point the system non-sectarian to those parents who prewithin the new provinces, with the ex- they came. ception of Premier Haultain, has raised his voice against the educational clauses. With the Premier it is purely a question of politics. Being a Conservative, Mr. of the provisions of the Autonomy Bills. He has gone to London on the advice of his party leaders at Ottawa to take part in the campaign against the Hon. Charles Hyman, and, although it has been expressly declared, for a purpose it is not difficult to divine, that the school question will not be one of the issues raised by the opposition, it is plain that it will be practically the only issue, and that the hope of the Conservatives is that London will indicate plainly and emphatically the attitude of Ontario towards the educational clauses. Whatever the verdict of London in the heat of a purely sectarian conflict may be, there is not the slightest doubt what the decision of Canada as a whole will be when the matter comes to be considered in a calm and deliberate mood. If the Privy Council decided that the federal authorities were invested with sufficient powers in educational matters to protect the minority from assumed wrong at the hands of the majority, the popular voice a very high opinion of themselves. of the Dominion will declare very emphatically that any action of the federal powers which would have the effect of practically making impossible the raising of race and creed issues in times of great political excitement was justifiable and statesmanlike.

## RAILWAYS AND PATRIOTISM.

The friends and defenders of transportation monopoly in British Columbia, no details of the manner in which the finding their original position indefensible and absurd, have shifted their played in it by the various vessels of earns dividends for its proprietors, it is possibility of the province being drained of its wealth as a result of the construction of a railway having a fraction of with fearful slaughter of its complement its line throught the state of Washing of sailors. The Japanese escaped un-The welfers of the whole of the province and all Canada must be considered as of practically identical power in armament higher importance than the interest of any particular section. As a matter of convenience and economy the C. P. R. was permitted to cut through the state of Maine to reach the Atlantic seaboard. The same line has its American connections in the middle and the extreme West, and there is no record of any protests from the districts so served, although the people of the United States are extremely careful to guard against the "draining proclivities" of foreign corporations. The Grand Trunk Railway Company, a Canadian corporation, and the Michigan Central Railroad Company, an American institution, cross and recross the border many times for the sake of convenience and short routes. It has never been so much as hinted that either country is being drained or impoverished by the operations of these lines. No portion of the United States or Canada was ever asked to perform a patriotic part and lie dormant until home-produced capital could be induced to come in and earn profits in the districts served by the border roads. Why are the people of British Columbia to be

discriminated against? Not because the C. P. R. objects. Certainly not. The agents of the great Canadian company, it is true, are at Ot tawa applying all the enormous influences at their command to prevent the the hands of their captors. One might was undertaken for economic reasons. passage of the amendments asked for. But they are not doing this because they a tolerably correct inference that the pany, and the patrons of the company. desire any special advantages for their line. It is not because they fear their of Rojestvensky was due in part at least recognized west of the Rocky Mouncompany would be compelled without a bonus of any kind to build the short connecting link in British Columbia for which they demanded a bonus of more than a million and a half of dollars at the late session of our legislature. Not Czar's ships submitted with the sullen economical treatment. They are comat all. It is because the V., V. & E. is a foreign corporation; because as an their enemies pounded into them with afford to pay the maximum rates for American institution it would buy all its supplies in the United States; not a there were exceptions. The case of Ad- circuitous routes in order that railway spade or a pick or a spike would be purchased from a coast or a Canadian merchant; because all the labor would be veloped into facts established, it would right to travel and transportation over secured in the United States; after the perhaps be more tolerable for the Ad- a direct route at a minimum of cost road was built it would be operated by Americans. Patriotism pure and under for little mercy will be shown them by struct for us a roundabout line and to filed, without a speck of the alloy of their judges when they arrive home. And carry us over it at rates proportionate to selfishness, is the actuating motive of the the loudest in the demands for punish- its length? There are actually men and

opposition. that the promoters of the V., V. & E. | were ordered by their august master to | clare that rights and privileges freely | bery Gardens.

pendent upon the progress of British 1905 in providing for the continuation in consumed in the course of the work of actually Admiral Rojestvensky passed erals of the present day have the hardi- either on the work of construction or on eight battleships, four of them new and room for personal friends of the chief is non-sectarian. Beyond that point it is officials. Within a specified time the tween the fleets of battleships. Togo, of fer to have it so. Not a public man bundled back to the place from whence ber of vessels of the torpedo and de-

Haultain can see no good features in any the way of the Similkameen and the Russians brought into action a the founder of the house; but the succestime so unreasonable when all the facts | mate, that is effective in naval warfare? | in the constituency of the new Minister are considered, we are convinced it would be withdrawn. If the patriots had any other class of people than those of British Columbia to deal with, they would never have assumed that we, who that there is no "analogy" between the through our legislature to assume a gan Central Railway or the Grand the state of unrestrained mirth within ada was, it would have been criticized as the sanctum of the chief moulders of a transportation stratagem designed to public opinion they would not entertain

LESSONS OF THE BATTLE.

Battle of the Sea of Japan the amateur maval expert, whose name is legion, inas a factor in naval warfare. The great fight was conducted or of the part otherwise rule, and at the same time command of the great Togo. The Russtandup fight between battleships of there could have been no such disparity between the extent of the losses in life refused. and in ships. But in this case natural deduction was at fault. The inferences toms." The naval wasps were not permitted to attempt so much as a sting until the Russian squadrons had been completely demoralized and thrown into confusion by the superior skill of the Japanese officers in manoeuvring their ships and the wonderful marksmanship of the Japanese gunners. The practical lesson of the battle for naval men is not that that the ship of heavy armament has been tried and found wanting, but that, as in the days of wooden threedeckers, it is the men behind the guns, under cool-headed and courageous officers, who win battles.

said that in their narration they are cal- one of the features of management it culated to enhance the credit or prestige | never departs from. of the Russians. In some instances the crews of captured vessels are represented as having been in a state closely Maine short line and that of the V., V. bordering on panic when they fell into & E., because the route through Maine deduce from such facts what might be The economic reasons affect the comdisastrous calamity that befell the fleet But the economic reasons must not be to the state of nervous prostration of the tains. We of British Columbia have no Russians, and in part to the enthusiasm, right to put in claims for equality of tempered by cool judgment, unfaltering treatment on economical grounds. The courage and daring, of the Japanese. Manitobans and the Easterners, being The comanders of the majority of the an economical people, are entitled to indifference of the fatalist to the fate paratively poor and perhaps could not the zest of the new Orientalism, but the transportation of their products by miral Nebogatoff was one of the exceptions. If the facts as related can be de are rich. Why should we be granted the miral and his officers to tarry in Japan, when there is a company anxious to conment in keeping with the heinousness of a few newspapers in British Columbia Recognizing the high ethical ground of the offence will be men who would fall who have the hardihood and the effronthe opposition, of what avail to argue into a state of nervous collapse if they tery to stand up for their rights and de-

unconquerable enemies. ,

The result of the last naval engageships and a more powerful armament employees so favored are all to be course, had at his service a greater numstroyer types. But, as has been pointed To sum up the whole matter, there are out, these were not brought into effective no reasons save those of pure altruism service until the enemy was hammered and unalloyed patriotism whatever for into helplessness by the heavy artillery the obstacles that are being placed in of the larger ships. The facts being that southern interior of British Columbia greater number of heavy fighting ships sor to the great political inheritance may being deprived of that which they have armed with a larger number of long- be more highly endowed. Certainly the long sought-direct connection with the range, large-calibre guns, must not the coast cities. If the patriotism in ques- conclusion be accepted that it is the London and North Oxford is a "long tion were not so ardent and at the same animate material, and not the inani- shot." There is no doubt of a hot time

"PATRIOTISM," ETC.

It is intimated, no doubt on authority,

heavy addition to our provincial debt in Trunk or the Maine short line, which order to assure the aforesaid connection, latter is part of the C.P.R. system. We would refuse to consider such a proposi- suppose we might as well make the analtion upon terms without a parallel in the ogy complete and comprehensive by inhistory of railways in the province. The cluding the "Soo' line to St. Paul. If that situation as a whole is as grotesque as road had been built by foreign capital, the position of the opposing influences is as of course no part of the C. P. R. or daring. If the dupes could but behold any other railway running through Can-"drain Canada of her magnificent resources," Having been constructed by patriotic money at the instance of men of unquestioned and unimpeachable patriotism, it is of course a product of After reading the first accounts of the patriotism. It is a short line and a direct route. It can be worked more economically than a roundabout and circuitous road, therefore, while it has that the battleship is of a triffing value develop and utilize a large section of what might otherwise be a comparativeearlier dispatches contained practically ly unproductive country, establishes cheap rates where dear rates might rash experiment. It was risky even with sian fleet was practically annihilated patriotic capital in the hands of patriotic Canadians. It does not "drain" our country of its resources because the men pen if British Columbians were to be accorded such privileges as the other sections of the Dominion have not been

cross the border in quest of a feasible 1904, as compared with 123,663 in 1903. grade refuses to be a party to the drainage of Canada of her wealth and renever been told so, but we have no doubt. in view of the attitude of the C. P. R. of the Kaiser. It is reported from Berorgans, that the railway never transporis men or freight from Canada to the tuted proveedings against the person or United States. That would not be in persons responsible for the publication beginning to come in, and it cannot be fesses, and we know that consistency is

Then, again, as we are told. there is no analogy between the case of the companies might earn dividends. We

are Canadian gentlemen with all their go forth in the name of Holy Russia accorded the rest of Canada-not even PULP CONCESSIONS interests in British Columbia and de- and take vengeance upon her cursed but questioned in any other portion of Canada-should not be denied us here. But then such persons are neither reasonable ment of importance in the Russo-Japan- men nor patriots. They have not the Conservative government of 1896 in little avail to suggest that the Canadian ese war, we affirm, cannot be explained acumen to perceive that the V., V. & E. known as the Western Canada Pulp & statements as published in the Daily undertaking to force the province of merchant is protected from unfair dis- except upon the hypothesis that the state in its search for a route over which it Manitoba to restore the separate crimination by a tariff ranging from 30 of the ship Admiral Nebogatoff fought would be able to operate its trains economically and give its patrons a cheap service "winds" across the border and back again. As if that were not evithe two new provinces of the educational construction It might also be urged through the Straits of Korea with more dence of treachery and an intention to betray us. If the charter were amended company the line with the long route would be forced to either of the highest power. The Japanese is build a short line for itself or to course. But in our brazenmess and ef- the company would be subject to the reported to have had but three, although compete with the rates on the he may have had four. It is not given short, economically operated route, and the Albertans who are to know that law is not a dead letter the Pere to the world to know absolutely what as is the case in all other parts of Canreason in the world that we know of cost. The company was found guilty Mikado may be. In cruisers the rivals vail. And yet the people of Similkawere about equal, with the preponder- meen are not content; they refuse to tem they have themselves proved, and charging Canadians from high offices ance of power probably in favor of recognize the patriotic principle involved. which is suitable only for the manufacwhich they declare to be the best in the and low solely for the purpose of making Japan, but not to such an extent as to We on the coast, who ought to be equalovercome the tremendous disparity be- ly interested with them, are apparently more easily duped. We have forgotten the saving about patriotism being the last refuge of a certain class of workers.

> Events have demonstrated that Sir Hibbert Tupper is not the son of a prophet Two Conservative sweeps which never came off were predicted by prediction of a Conservative victory in of Public Works. All the heavy artillery the Conservative party possesses is being concentrated there, and a majority of fifteen should be quite easily demolished. Nevertheless Hyman is a have been volunteering time and again case of the V., V. & E. and the Michi- fighter, and he will be supported by men who are not quitters.

The statistics of emigration and immigration for the United Kingdom for 1904 have just been published by the British Board of Trade. They show that the total passenger movement outward was 543,877 to non-European countries and on reflection is perhaps not surprising.
Wherefore I beg to enclose herewith
a copy of my said letter to the Colonist. ward 241,896 from non-Eureopean countries and 802,949 from European countries. The net balance outward was 127,592. During the year 271,435 British and Irish persons left Great Britain for non-European countries, as compared with 259,950 in 1903 and 205,662 in 1902. The foreigners numbered 174,-354, against 181,539 in 1903 and 174,-291 in 1902. Of the total number of native emigrants, English passengers continently arrived at the conclusion given settlers an opportunity to open up, formed 65 per cent., Scotch 14 per cent. and Irish 21 per cent., as against 68, 14, and 18 per cent. respectively in the preceding year. Of the total emigration 152,169, or 34 per cent., went to places within the British Empire, including 91,684 to British North America, and wrong impressions and hope that you alleged Pulp & Paper Co., dare they ground. Their contentions respecting the various degrees of strength under the justified on its record. But that was a 32,278 to British South Africa. The remaining 301,708, or 66 per cent., went to various countries, including 291,945 to the United States, Compared with 1903. this is an increase of 40,004 passengers above named pulp and paper company. ton being received with derision, scathed, in a comparative sense. The who control the line would not go into to the United States, but a decrease of In fact I do not even know any of them. they tell the people of the Similkameen and other locked-up and barred-in regions that they must not be too selfish.

Standard a deduction was that torpedo boats and destroyers had committed all the gions that they must not be too selfish.

Standard a deduction was that torpedo boats and destroyers had committed all the increased dividends to be drained out of and destroyers had committed all the increased dividends to be drained out of and trish emigrants, 119,504, or 44 per after investigation we became convinced after investigation we became convinced cent., went to places within the British | that the pr Empire, 26 per cent. going to British per company were not acting in good North America, and 10 per cent. to faith, and that the interests of the log-British South Africa, and the remainder And then, again, the railway lines in to other British colonies and possessions. the east and the centre and the west. Of those going to foreign countries, near- of our opinion, which we made boldly were not drawn from reliable data. As which cross the border do so boldly and ly the whole number came to the United and fearlessly. And you will kindly a matter of fact, the Battle of the Japan honestly. They do not "wind" across States. The number of British and Irish notice that in stating our opinion and Sea was opened at long range by the from one side to the other in a sneaking emigrants to South Africa was only heavy guns of the fleets, and it was con- fashion as the V., V. & E. would like 26,818, as compared with 50,206 in 1903, tinued for the greater part of the first to do. The C. P. R. runs trains into and 43,206 in 1902. The number who day as a tremendous duel of "long Seattle. It has agents in the Sound proceeded to British North America, on cities and we have no doubt sells tickets | the other hand, reached 69,681, as comthere and undertakes to transport pas- pared with 59,652 in 1903, a number sengers and freight from there to all itself in excess of any previous figures. parts of the country. We assume that A considerable increase is also observthe company which asks that the V., V. able in the number who came to the & E. shall not be granted permission to United States, these being 146,445 in

> Some German editors may in time find sources of men and materials. We have out that they had better be very careful about publishing verbatim the remarks lin that the public prosecutor has insti-Details and incidents of the battle are accordance with the principles it pro- of the false statements respecting the speech delivered by Emperor William on the occasion of the swearing in of naval recruits at Wilhelmshaven. The words objected to are supposed to be those likening the Japanese to the barbarian Attila and the usurper Napoleon. The conquerors of Russia are people who might be able to compel respect even from Germans with their Emperor of all the talents, hence the action of lese majestic. The Kaiser's sentences should Logging Association is made up of per be subjected to very careful editing. Thoughts which are harmless when given utterance to within the precincts of a German public academy may be capable of evil results when printed for the information of the whole world. Japan is a world power now. Her rulers are very carefully informed of all that is said about her by her neighbors.

. . . Vancouver World: A recent issue of the Victoria Times contained doublecolumn cuts of Lieut.-Col. J. C. Whyte commanding Sixth Regiment, D.C.O.R., and Capt. J. Duff-Stuart, the adjutant of the Sixth. The Times is to be congratulated upon its good taste in recognizing and appreciating thorough-going soldiers when it sees them,

Mr. Frank Hanington, who is now the Bank of Commerce in Vancouver, is spending his holidays at home in

AND LOGGERS.

To the Editor:-Regarding the aims, objects and intentions of a concern your city had an editorial appearing in its issue of the 23rd ultimo, in which the aims, objects and intentions of the said concern are recommended, and its opponents condemned. And whereas in n accordance with the request of the said editorial the following statement

ciation, has written a long letter to the Province of a most damaging character, in which it is set out that the object of the company was not to obtain in good faith timber suitable for the nanufacture of pulp, but that it was an attempt to obtain by fraud, misesentation and surreptitious methods representation and surreputious manufactured in the timber on lands, 85 per cent. of the timber on ture of lumber. This might be a more rious matter than it is if Mr. Emeron represented a large element of the ogging interests of the coast, but from formation we have received, the memership is made up of persons principally in his own employ. His statements, therefore, are made largely upon his

I may here state that in above state- add that I feel quite confident nt the editor seems to get "things mixed," for in his attempt to quote from etters written recently to the Daily Province by the B. C. Loggers' Assoation, he does not quote from the Province at all, but he quotes verbatim rom a protest in connection with this matter written by the B. C. Loggers' Association to the Hon. R. F. Green, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, on January 6th last, in connecion with this matter, which justifies the iference that the editor of the Colonist nust have received some suggestions or assistance from the office of the said Chief Commissioner in writing said ediorial.

However, I considered that the reference to myself in the said editorial in the Colonist, coupled with the interests of our association and that of the public generally, justified a reply which I wrotethe Colonist, which was referred to by hat paper in an editorial of its issue of the 30th ultimo. But publication of my in the hope that you will see in it an honest attempt to show the views of the ppenents of the said Western Canada Pulp & Paper Company, and that you will publish same in the interests of fair play and open discussion of public mat-J. S. ANDERSON. Vancouver, B. C., June 1st, 1905.

Vancouver, B. C., May 26th, 1905.

Editor Daily Victoria Colonist, Victoria, Dear Sir:-I have read your editorial to the Western Canada Pulp & Paper nents regarding myself personally, I will publish same in that spirit of fairness which I believe to be the ruling feature in your estimable publication. may state that I have nothing personally against any of the promoters of gers, the millmen, the people generally as well as the interests of the proposed investors, be protected by a statement belief obtained from reports from what we considred unquestionable sources we did not ask our worthy Chief Commis sioner of Lands and Works to adopt our theory, although supported by affidavits and other testimony. But we asked that investigation l

made before the desires of the promoters of this pulp company be granted by giving them a lease for 163,000 acres of containing comparatively little the kind of timber suitable for the many facture of pulp. In case the promoters of this ostensible pulp company were onest and their reserve was as their reports went to show, then an investigation would be the very thing they would want, as it would establish youd question that they were right, and then an apology would be in order from the B. C. Loggers' Association, the position of the said promoters vindicated, truth established and success of the enterprise assured. But we have tried to tempt these promoters into the open to oin with us in a demand for an investigation of their reserve, but withou result. A preliminary investigation can be made with little delay or expense If they are right, why don't they pro pose something or make some kind of a speech instead of attacking our association and referring to it as a myth? You intimate in your said editoria that in effect in this controversy I sent only myself, and that the B. C sons principally in my employ. This emphatically deny and state that the B. C. Logging Association embraces in its membership the majority of the larger independent individual operators in this district.

I may also state that there is no em yee of mine a member of this association save one, who is assistant see retary, and who became such at the special request of the secretary, Mr. W. Patterson, so that his place could be filled when he (Mr. Patterson) was out of town. The above are the facts, and in order to prove it, will state that the nembership record of our association will be open for inspection by any member of the local promoters of this alleged pulp company or any person on their behalf. In this we have nothing to conceal, no secret schemes or bogus reports. It is the opinion of the association that 85 per cent, of timber on the reserve held for this company is fit only for the manufacture of lumber and absolutely unfit for the manufacture of pulp. extent of the damage and loss of life are made the remainder of the running and

the said promoters have everything to

alleged examination of the said reserve by independent experts, and beg to state that if you have followed closely our Paper Company, about which so much Province here you will notice that one pected recently, the Daily Colonist of pectus of said company (printed in the and latterly treasurer of the Rutland London Times), to wit, Mr. J. G. Woods railway, has been appointed professor of of this city, who was represented as the new transportation department of confirming the reports of King as to the quantity and kind of timber on the said reserve.

I saw Mr. Woods about this matter and he stated in effect that "he never "J. S. Emerson, president of this as- was on any part of the said reserve and never made the report ascribed to him." Does this, Mr. Editor, look like good large buildings were destroyed, one of faith or honest expert testimony? Here them containing valuable machinery is the first and only person whose name was mentioned as confirm- pounds of leaf tobacco. The loss is ing the alleged expert reports on this property and who, by his statements in effect, brands the connection of his name with the said report as a lie and a forgery. If the timber on this alleged pulp re-

serve is as the promoters, their allies, aiders and abettors allege, we want them to get it and would join with you in wishing them "God speed" in the proposed enterprise. But if we are right we don't want them to get it and will make an open fight to prevent what looks to us like a "job." I may also position assumed by the B. C. Loggers' Association, as all the information I am in possession of does not come second ficial examination of over 20 miles of the coast line bordering this reserve, and it did not appear to me that there was even five per cent. of the timber on the lands I saw suitable for making pulp. In fact over 90 per cent. of it was cedar, which is wholly unfit for the manufacture of pulp. I state this as a fact has 60 acres which promise to make his above my own signature and am pre-pared to point out the place to anyone who wants to go and see for themselves, and if it appears that I am not substantially correct, I agree to pay the travelling expenses by special steamer of an impartial committee who will make the trip and report.

I state this as a fact as effecting all the lands I saw in the said reserve, and heaviest of any society. The rate is ten as to the parts of the reserve I did not deaths per thousand, see all reports tend only one way, viz., surance concerns it did not exceed six that there is comparatively little timber etter was refused by that paper, which thereon suitable for the manufacture of and honest medical examination of all pulp, and I will go further and state that I believe that over 75 per cent. of the land embraced in the area of this reserve either has no timber thereon or what timber there is possesses no com-mercial value for any purpose.

The statements and make. Mr. Editor, relative to this matalleged Pulp & Paper Co. are acting in good faith) should surely draw them into the open with logical defences or explan- the Equitable Life Assurance Society ations and arrange methods for putting and an apparent readjustment of interto the test as to who is really telling the ests, marked the meetings of the direct ruth instead of sneaking around trying | tors of the Equitable held to-day to pass to divert attention by attacking individual members of our association, and of which H. C. Frick is the chairman. n your issue of the 23rd instant relative by suggesting newspaper articles dealing. The only results of the meeting, of in generalities instead of coming out like | which official announcement was made, Company, and as you have made state- men and stating something above their own signature in their own defence or in committee by a large majority, the feel called upon to reply and state what the defence of their position, and I will I consider the facts in order to correct ask the local promoters of the said of directors and the passage of the reso-wrong impressions and hope that you alleged Pulp & Paper Co., dare they lutions embodied in the following statecome out and state that the published expert report of their man, Michael King, is the truth or even mean the J. S. EMERSON.

THE "CAVE SKULLS."

To the Editor,-There is nothing renarkable in the discovery of non-Indian human skulls in a cave on the west coast this Island. The Indians there as late as the "sixties," thought no more of utting off the head of a white man than the head of a salmon, unless he were a oreman, or "white chief," likely to be nquired for. Beheading the victim in eep was the usual method of murder. The body was stripped and left to be preyed on, in the forest, or, oftener, in he sea, but the head, as temporarily, an dentifiable relic, was concealed. Between 1860 and 1863, more than a dozen nen whom I had employed on that coast disappeared, and my belief, as coroner, was that they met their death in the above way. At an earlier time, probably, a similar fate overtook in some cases, shipwrecked or captured crews. The skull which Major Hibben showed o me-if I may express an opinion without applying the usual indexes—is no that of an Indian, or African or Mon colian: the oval character of the bead and the eye orbit rather indicates the European type, intermediate between these two latter. As the skull form is one of the least variable characteristics of race, the skull from these caves would be much alike were they the relics of ong extinct, superior people in the Isl and. The probability is that the skulls will not be found greatly worn by age, and that though of, say the type shown by the specimen, diversities making against the above theory exist. G. M. SPROAT.

HUNDREDS PERISHED.

Laborers Drowned in Floods-Earthquakes in Albania and Japan.

Durban, Natal, June 2 .- A storm which has swept over Pinetown, the entre of the tea and sugar plantations of Natal, caused the reservoir to overflow, resulting in the drowning of fifty Hindoo laborers. Later reports say that two hundred

persons were killed. The storm resulted numerous casualties elsewhere.

Five Hundred Killed. Cetinje, Montenegro, June 2.—Later details of the earthquake at Scutari, Albania, show that five hundred persons were killed, two hundred and fifty in jured, and that the town was completely devastated. There were two shocks The inhabitants are now living in the open. The authorities have organized parties to search for the bodies of vic tims, and it is feared that the list of casualties will be considerably in

creased. Earthquake in Japan. Tokio, June 2.-Severe earthquakes have occurred in central Japan, extending generally from the province of Hiro shima to the straits of Shimonoseki. The If we are wrong we have everything to not yet known, but it is feared the losses lose by the investigation we ask for, and are extensive.

CANADIAN NEWS I notice what you state regarding the New Professor For McGill-Fire in Tobacco Drying Plant.

> Montreal, June 2.-Clarence Morgan. of Burlington, Vt., formerly connected one Michael McGill university.

Fire. Granby, Que., June 2.-Fire broke out this morning in the Empire Tobacco Company's leaf and drying plant. Two I knew and the other building several thousand

> covered by insurance. Haultain's Speech.

Calgary, June 2.-Concluding his adress at a banquet last evening, Premier Haultain said he had no announcem to make, but hoped all would unite with him in making Alberta the best province in the Dominion. This was taken to mean that he will remain in Albert He hoped, he said, that the non-partizan government of the Territories would con inue in the new provinces.

Revenue Returns. Winnipeg, June 2 .- Inland revenue col-

ections for May on Winnipeg district were \$78,674, an increase of \$10,321 over a year ago in the same month Success Assured.

Medicine Hat, June 2.-The success of the fall wheat crop is assured. The backward spring sent the roots deep and the later warmth has been most bene ficial. Ine grain is now 24 inches in height and very uniform. One farme fortune. He seeded it on the stubble las fall without even harrowing the land.

Death Rate.

Owen Sound, Ont., June 2.-At the meeting of the Grand Orange lodge yesterday, the secretary-treasurer repo that the death rate of the Orange Mutual Life Insurance Association was th ness principles.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE.

James H. Hyde Asked to Retire-H. C. Frick Has Resigned

New York, June 2.—Disputed claims of victory by the conflicting factions in on the report of the committee of seven, were the rejection of the report of the resignation of Mr. Frick from the board ment given out by the directors on the final adjournment:

"The board, after full discussion, and after replies on their behalf to the committee by President Alexander, Vice-President Hyde and Vice-President Taradopted the following resolutions: "1. That a chairman of the board be

created with plenary powers over all "2. That a nominating committee consisting of 'D. O. Mill Stewart, A. K. Cassatt, T. Jefferson Coland Robert T. Liniston, be requested to report at a meeting of the board to be called on Wednesday next, a candidate

for chairman. "3. Luat at that meeting of the board the executive committee be reorganized and that appropriate amendments to the by-laws should be reported for submission to that meeting for the purpose of carrying out those res "4. That Mr. James H. Hyde be requested within three months to dives himself of the control of the stock of the society, on such terms and condi-tions as shall be satisfactory."

The board decided against the acceptance of the Frick committee's report by

a vote of 24 to 13. LANSDOWNE'S SPEECH.

Good Understanding With France Has Prevented Trouble During War.

London, June 2.-Lord Lansdowne secretary for foreign affairs, presided at the dinner of Conservative agents night. Replying to the toast of the health of Mr. Balfour, Lord Lansdowne referred to the hope expressed for a renewal of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, and said that the only practical question would be as to how best to strengthen the existing alliance. Never were the relations between Great Britain and France better or stronger than at present, said Lord Lansdowne, and when the inner history of the recent anxious months came to be written, it would appear that the good understandings with France had been the means of greatly mitigating the friction and troubles which seemed inevitable when a great war was progressing He said that the one great hope of Great Britain just now was to secure peace in

the Far East.

Lord Lansdowne said the necessity for maintaining the army and navy was illustrated by Japan, which had exhibited a spirit of far-seeing patriotism that all ountries might emulate.

THE OAKS.

Cherry Lass Won Race at Epsom-Twelve Horses Started.

London, June 2 .- The race for the Oaks' stake of 5,000 sovereigns for three year old fillies, about a mile and a half, was run at Epsom to-day, and was won by Cherry Lass, Queen of the Earth oming in second, and Amitie third. Twelve horses started.

The Oaks proved to be a hollow victory for the favorite, Cherry Lass, who med command from the mile post. won by three lengths. Six lengths separated second and third horses.

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